



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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RE: MUR 6616

Dear Mr. Berke:

On August 2, 2012, the Federal Election Commission notified your client, Steelman for U.S. Senate and Jeff Layman in his official capacity as treasurer, (the "Steelman Committee") of a complaint alleging that your client had violated certain sections of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended.

On May 7, 2013, the Commission considered the complaint but there was an insufficient number of votes to find no reason to believe the Steelman Committee violated 2 U.S.C. § 441i(e) in connection with the allegations in this matter. Accordingly, the Commission closed its file in this matter.

Documents related to the case will be placed on the public record within 30 days. See Statement of Policy Regarding Disclosure of Closed Enforcement and Related Files, 68 Fed. Reg. 70,426 (Dec. 18, 2003) and Statement of Policy Regarding Placing First General Counsel's Reports on the Public Record, 74 Fed. Reg. 66132 (Dec. 14, 2009). One or more Statements of Reasons explaining the Commission's decision may be forthcoming.

If you have any questions, please contact Dominique Dillenseger, the attorney assigned to this matter, at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Peter G. Blumberg", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Peter G. Blumberg  
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